

City of Corunna  
Regular Council Meeting  
Monday, February 4, 2002

Present: Corey, Jessen, Johnson, Mehigh, Ockerman, Runyan, Sanderson.

Absent: None.

Guests: Joe Sawyer, City Manager; Janet Washburn, Parks and Recreation Director; Tim Crawford, Superintendent of Public Works; Jan Scott; Keith & Diane Johnson; Avery Weaver, County Commissioner; Cathy Cramner; Sue Huff, Library Director; Chief Scott Johnson, Fire Department; Bob Volek; Bernie & Pat Yott; Bob Morehouse; Judy Horton; Gary & Helen Granger; Sgt. Kevin Clark, Police Department; Clark Long; Gary Burk; Dave Schwab; Gary Schooley; Betty & Fred Bates; Vanessa Harris, Rowe Engineering; Jackie Leone, The Argus Press; and other concerned citizens.

The meeting was called to order in the City Council Chambers by Mayor Corey at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING: Ockerman moved, Johnson seconded to approve the minutes of the previous regular meeting as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Ockerman, Johnson, Sanderson, Runyan, Jessen, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

AGENDA APPROVAL: Ockerman moved, Mehigh seconded to approve the agenda as presented by changing Item No. 7) from Reconsider Dave Harvey's appointment to Softball Commission to Discussion of Softball Commission Board and with the addition of Item No. 5a) Consider Appointment of Bob Morehouse to the Economic Development Fund Board and Item No. 11) Consider Letter From Tony Hornus For Use of the City.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Runyan, Mehigh, Ockerman, Johnson, Sanderson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

APPROVAL OF VENDOR DISBURSEMENTS: Runyan moved, Jessen seconded to approve the vendor disbursements as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Runyan, Ockerman, Jessen, Sanderson, Mehigh, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CALL TO AUDIENCE: Gary Burk advised council he was the Facilities Director for the City of Owosso and stated he wanted to give council an update on Owosso's water treatment

plant revisions and improvements. He further advised this would be the first water treatment plant improvement in 40 years. He also advised the water agreement was negotiated in 1991, and there was an understanding that the water system was getting older and capital improvements would have to be done. Mr. Burk stated the project costs are about \$4.8 million, and the City of Owosso is looking at a \$4.5 million bond issue spread over a 20-year term. He further stated the City of Corunna is purchasing 11 percent of the plant capacity so the city should figure on paying \$36,000 or \$3,000 per month. He also stated the construction should begin late summer or early fall if everything falls into place. Mr. Burk explained some of the project benefits. He further explained the Owosso City Council has asked him to keep the City of Corunna informed and to let Corunna know that the Owosso City Council is open to input. He also explained he would be willing to come back if the Corunna City Council has some questions that he did not answer. Mr. Burk offered to take the city council on a tour of the water treatment facilities. Mayor Corey suggested asking Mr. Sawyer to set something up if council wants to go into more depth. Councilperson Mehigh suggested starting the next council meeting a half hour earlier. Mayor Corey asked council if they wanted to schedule Mr. Burk at the next regular meeting. Councilperson Mehigh advised yes. Mr. Burk advised he would plan on coming back at 7:00 p.m. on February 19. Mayor Corey suggested starting the next regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. with Mr. Burk on at 7:00 p.m. Councilperson Ockerman asked Mr. Burk to figure what the per household fee would be. Mr. Burk advised the City of Owosso's rates and charges have not increased since the City of Corunna connected into the water system in 1993. Councilperson Runyan suggested setting up a workshop to discuss this issue with just the city council. Councilperson Ockerman stated he personally did not want another meeting. Mayor Corey suggested having a light agenda for the next meeting.

Keith Johnson stated he noticed in the paper that some board members were not reappointed to the board of appeals for whatever reason, and he was not present to question the reasons, but he has had several inquiries as to why this happened and if he had something to do with the decision. He wanted the record to show that he was not personally involved. The board members have always attended the meetings and they were very special.

Mayor Corey advised it was his understanding that Sgt. Kevin Clark used the defibrillator on a 39-year old woman at the Aldi's store, and he was successful.

Fire Chief Scott Johnson advised Bob Volek has been a member of the Corunna-Caledonia Fire Department since 1955. Chief Johnson further advised he has enjoyed serving with Mr. Volek and appreciated all his wisdom and guidance for everything that is done for the fire department. Chief Johnson also advised Mr. Volek received a plaque for Fireman of the Year from the Shiawassee County Firefighter's Association and a proclamation from the State of Michigan, which was presented to Mr. Volek by State Representative Larry Julian. Mr. Volek showed everyone his plaques of recognition. Chief Johnson stated the fire department got together last year and presented Mr. Volek with a silver ax. Mr. Volek thanked the City of Corunna and Caledonia Township for supporting the fire department and stated he enjoys being a member of the fire

department. Mayor Corey stated the governments might provide the materials, but the fire department is what it is because of people like Mr. Volek. He thanked Mr. Volek and the other firefighters for risking their lives doing what they do.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT/PRE-COUNCIL DISCUSSION: Mr. Sawyer reviewed his calendar and manager's report with council and with those in the audience.

LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT: Library Director Sue Huff presented and reviewed the library's annual report with the city council. She advised the library's state aid was cut from 50 cents per capita to 37 cents per capita. She further advised the classification of the Corunna Library has been raised from Class II to Class III. She also advised she wanted to thank the Corunna Police Department for helping the library retrieve very overdue library books. Ms. Huff explained if an overdue book is not returned within a month, the customer is notified by certified mail that the library book is overdue. If there is no response then the police department is contacted, and the book is usually returned by the end of the week after one call from Officer Williams. Cathy Cramner reviewed the children's programs that were held last year. Mayor Corey thanked Ms. Huff and Ms. Cramner for their reports.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 020402-1 PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MARCH 10-16 AS GIRL SCOUT WEEK: Ockerman moved, Johnson seconded to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 020402-1  
PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MARCH 10 – 16  
AS GIRL SCOUT WEEK**

WHEREAS, Tuesday, March 12, 2002, marks the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Girl Scouts of the USA, founded by Juliette Gordon Low in 1912 in Savannah, Georgia; and,

WHEREAS, throughout its long and distinguished history, Girl Scouts – the pre-eminent organization for girls – has inspired millions of girls with the highest ideals of character, conduct, and patriotism; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scouting will lead businesses and communities to teach girls the skills needed to take active roles in math, science and technology careers and to fulfill our country's economic needs; and,

WHEREAS, through Girl Scouting, every girl, everywhere grows strong, gains self-confidence and skills for success, and learns her duty to the world around her; and,

WHEREAS, through participation in Girls' Voices, a national community service project, every girl will learn to use her own voice to address an issue of concern to her and perhaps make a change for the better in her community; and,

WHEREAS, some 50 million women have enjoyed the benefits of the Girl Scouts program, as an American tradition, for 90 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Corunna City Council, by virtue of the authority does hereby proclaim the week of March 10 – 16 as Girl Scout Week.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Sanderson, Mehigh, Johnson, Jessen, Ockerman, Runyan.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF CAL HORNUS TO THE SOFTBALL COMMISSION:

Mehigh moved, Jessen seconded to appoint Cal Hornus to the Softball Commission for a term to begin upon the taking of the oath of office and continuing indefinitely to serve at the pleasure of the council.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Mehigh, Jessen, Runyan, Johnson, Sanderson.

No: Ockerman.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF DAVID BUTCHER II TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION

COMMISSION: Ockerman moved, Johnson seconded to appoint David Butcher II to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term to begin upon the taking of the oath of office and continuing indefinitely to serve at the pleasure of the council.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Sanderson, Ockerman, Mehigh, Runyan, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF BOB MOREHOUSE TO THE ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT FUND BOARD: Runyan moved, Johnson seconded to appoint Bob Morehouse to the Economic Development Fund Board until December 31, 2004 or until a successor is appointed.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Ockerman, Johnson, Sanderson, Runyan, Jessen, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion DENIED

CONSIDER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE CORUNNA AREA AMBULANCE

SERVICE: Mr. Sawyer advised a lot of work has been done at the ambulance service over the last month and most of the bills are caught up. There are two big hurdles still in front of the ambulance service, which are taking care of the unpaid taxes and the outstanding advanced life support liabilities from the past. He further advised things have to keep rolling while the ambulance board reviews the rate and assessment structures and until the cash flow issue is resolved. He also advised it is the recommendation of the ambulance board that the city and township donate an emergency relief supplement up to \$10,000 to help the ambulance service get through the next three

or four months. Mr. Sawyer stated the ambulance service has \$80,000 in unpaid taxes to pay, and the amount owed to Lansing-Mason needs to be negotiated. He further stated the ambulance board would probably come back to the city council at a future date to ask council and the township to consider mortgaging the real estate in order to provide the money to pay the delinquent taxes. This \$10,000 is being asked to be a gift in order to pay payroll and taxes as they accrue. He also stated he provided council with a thumbnail sketch of the ambulance service's debts and liabilities versus assets. Mr. Sawyer advised the ambulance service's payables are paid with the exception of the cardiac monitor, which has a \$13,000 debt, but a payment plan has been negotiated to take care of this debt. He further advised the real estate would be appraised in the near future before a mortgage request takes place. It is estimated that there will be \$25,000 to \$100,000 in accounts receivable, but the ambulance board does not know since there has not been any record keeping done on receivables. He also advised there is a belief that the ambulance service is worth more than what it has in debts and that is why everyone is working aggressively to fix the problems. Councilperson Ockerman stated it was not just bad record keeping. It is the biggest fiasco that anyone could ever imagine, but the ambulance board has a handle on it now. He further stated he spends half days down there and would continue to do that. The ambulance board knew at the beginning that a \$25.00 per household fee was needed, but the hole in the ship needs to be fixed first before any more money is put into the boat. He also stated codes have been entered into the computer so only certain people can have access. Councilperson Ockerman advised he was flabbergasted by the help and support of the volunteers at the ambulance service. The volunteers truly want to save the ambulance service, and they have been badly misinformed as to what has been going on at the ambulance service. Mayor Corey asked if the ambulance board has figured out what outside service would cost. Mr. Sawyer advised no. Mayor Corey asked why the request was for up to \$10,000. Mr. Sawyer advised the same motion should be at Caledonia Township tonight and if that is true, the ambulance service will have roughly \$20,000. The main purpose of this money is to make sure the ambulance service can continue to make payroll and to pay the monthly and quarterly taxes for 2002. He further advised the request is not for both municipalities to deposit \$10,000 into their account because the money would be at risk. The Internal Revenue Service can seize the bank account at any time because of the back taxes. Mayor Corey asked how far \$20,000 would take the ambulance service in months. Mr. Sawyer advised he did not know. After the previous ambulance board meeting, there was \$16,000 in payables that were seriously delinquent, and the ambulance board spent every dime it had in the bank. He further advised the cash flow does not appear to be healthy enough right now to carry the whole thing, but in four or five months, the ambulance service should be comfortable. Mayor Corey asked if the ambulance board would be coming back to council in three months for another \$10,000. Mr. Sawyer advised no. Councilperson Ockerman advised the ambulance board would be asking the city council to raise the household fee to \$25.00. Councilperson Johnson advised she needed to abstain from voting. Mayor Corey advised a motion was needed. Mehig moved, Sanderson seconded to allow Councilperson Johnson to abstain from voting on the ambulance relief aid gift.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Runyan, Jessen, Sanderson, Mehig, Johnson.

No: Ockerman.

Motion DENIED

Mayor Corey advised the motion failed. Councilperson Mehig stated the ambulance board feels they have a real handle on the situation now and thanked Mr. Sawyer, Councilperson Ockerman and Tom Wazny for their hard work. Councilperson Mehig further stated he believes the ambulance service is worth saving. He also stated he thought the city was the only community in the county that does not ask \$25.00 per household. Mayor Corey asked if anyone in the audience had any questions. Avery Weaver stated the Corunna ambulance service is a very important service to the community. It has been implied that if the community did not have a local ambulance service then service would be provided from a neighboring ambulance service, but the rates that are charged for a non-member could be extremely higher than what the community pays now. He further stated this information needs to come out, which might help the city council convince the rest of the community that the ambulance service needs support. Mayor Corey stated the best thing for the council to do is to try to keep the ambulance service going, but it might be a benefit to the community to find out what the rates would be if another service were to come in. Ockerman moved, Mehig seconded to approve a Corunna Area Ambulance Service emergency relief supplement of up to \$10,000 to be disbursed incrementally upon manager's approval to be paid for from line item 101-101-818.000 contingent upon a matching supplement from Caledonia Township.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Runyan, Mehig, Ockerman, Johnson, Sanderson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

DISCUSSION OF SOFTBALL COMMISSION BOARD: Councilperson Mehig stated he attended the softball commission meeting last Thursday and tried to explain to the chairperson about the city's fiscal problems, and at the end of his statement the answer he got was "so what's your point?" He further stated he thought maybe he did not go into enough detail so he got really detailed about the city's costs and primary responsibilities such as streets, fire, etc. At the end of that discussion, the comment he got was again "what is your point" so he told the commission the city has to control the park costs since it costs the city \$180,000 per year but the city only gets \$40,000 back so the city was trying to make some of the commissions a little more responsible. He also stated he did not like the negative response that he got, and it was not just this one occasion. There was feedback from Mr. Sawyer and Ms. Washburn about the negative approach that they have had in the past and Councilperson Mehig advised he was a little disappointed. Mayor Corey asked if the \$180,000 for park costs included the softball fields. Councilperson Mehig advised yes, but the city only gets \$40,000 back from fees. Councilperson Ockerman stated Councilperson Mehig is concerned that the softball commission does not seem to care. The manner in which some of the city employees are treated bothers him. Councilperson Ockerman further stated if people are going to rant and rave, create trouble or friction and cause the blood pressure of the city's employees to go up then he will vote no repeatedly. People are appointed and the council

appreciates the people who serve the community, but the people serve at the council's pleasure and council has the right to say yes or no. He also stated if people are not going to act in an adult manner or be respectful of other people then this councilperson is going to say no. Councilperson Sanderson agreed and advised he went to the softball commission meeting, and the councilpersons were treated unfairly and poorly. He stated some of the commission members stated they would move the softball league out of the city, and if they want to move out, then so be it. Councilperson Johnson asked if anyone has apologized for their actions. Janet Washburn advised she apologized to the person and he also apologized on an issue that occurred. She further advised in spite of everything that was said, she felt the last meeting was a very good meeting, and she thinks the situation will work itself out. Councilperson Runyan advised he attended the softball commission meeting and agreed with Ms. Washburn that the meeting was a good meeting. Councilperson Ockerman stated Ms. Washburn was being very kind. She called the council and asked them to be at the meeting and requested someone from the police department to be present because she was scared to be at the meeting, and he will not let the commission do that to her.

**PRESENTATION OF DRAFT PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN:** Vanessa Harris from Rowe Engineering presented the Parks and Recreation Master Plan draft and advised the goal is to have a draft of the master plan to everyone by the end of this week. She explained a five-year park and recreation plan is needed in order to be eligible for grants, and the grant deadline is April 1. Mayor Corey asked if there was a specific amount of grant money that was being sought. Ms. Harris advised that is something that will be submitted to the state once the master plan is put together. The master plan has to be submitted to the state by March 1. She further advised the city council would need to prioritize what they wanted to have done. There is a plan for a boat launch and dam site, which would require negotiating a walkway passage on the east side of the dam because it is not possible on the west side. Councilperson Ockerman advised the boat launch is possible but two things could happen to the dam; the dam could come out or the dam could go down one-half of the distance that it is now. Ms. Washburn advised on February 14 at 5:30 p.m. the master plan would be available to view. She further advised a lot of different things were looked at that could use improvements. She also advised all recommendations would be coming to council for approval on February 19. Councilperson Sanderson stated there is no way all of the projects will be completed in five years and asked where the city was going to get the money to finish the projects. Ms. Washburn advised the master plan is only a wish list. Councilperson Sanderson advised another master plan will have to be created in five years with the city having to pay another \$10,000, but the city will end up saving \$25,000 to \$30,000 and only end up doing two or three projects in the whole park. Ms. Washburn advised the master plan has to be revised every five years in order to get grants from the state. Councilperson Mehigh asked Ms. Washburn if she had any discussion with the grant writer to see if there was any grant money available for parking. Ms. Washburn advised no. Councilperson Runyan asked if there was a state law that states the master plan has to be revised every five years. Ms. Harris advised yes, but the city could create a 15 or 20 year plan, and review it every five years. Councilperson Runyan asked if the city would have to spend \$7,000 every five years. Ms. Harris advised no, the same drawing could be

brought to the board every five years. Mayor Corey asked if it was true that the drawing could be updated with relative ease at a low cost. Ms. Harris advised yes, her firm took the base map that was done by hand and put it into the computer so the map is now digital, which means that she can make changes to the map in five seconds. Mayor Corey asked what it would cost the city to update the master plan in five years. Ms. Harris advised under \$3,000. Mayor Corey asked if the grants that have to be applied for by April 1 would be brought to the council so council can decide on the amount of the grant match that the city can afford. Ms. Washburn advised all she was trying to do was to get a master plan for the State of Michigan and as far as she was concerned, there will not be an application for a grant. She further advised the master plan has to be registered with the state by March 1.

REVIEW OF JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR PARKS AND RECREATIONS DIRECTOR, SOFTBALL COMMISSIONERS, HISTORICAL VILLAGE COMMISSIONERS, FOURTH OF JULY COMMISSIONERS, AND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS: Mr. Sawyer reviewed the job descriptions with the city council and asked council to submit any comments to him before February 19. Mayor Corey asked council to review the information and give any comments to Mr. Sawyer before February 19.

CONSIDER TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDER 202, FIFTEEN MINUTE PARKING: CIRCLE DRIVE, EAST SIDE OF THE MCCURDY PARK COMMUNITY CENTER: Mayor Corey asked Ms. Washburn if there has been a problem. Ms. Washburn advised the area is used considerably Monday through Thursday and on Sunday, and people are parking on the grass more and more. Mayor Corey asked why she was requesting 15-minute parking instead of a loading or an unloading zone. Ms. Washburn advised someone could spend three hours in the area unloading. Mayor Corey stated if the prom committee is working down there, and they have rented the entire building then what possible difference would it make if someone's car sits there for an hour. Ms. Washburn advised it might not make a lot of difference, but the road has always been kept open for an emergency. Councilperson Sanderson suggested making the circle drive one-way and posting 15-minute parking signs that states a vehicle will be towed away at the owner's expense. Councilperson Johnson advised she thought there should be a fire lane. Councilperson Runyan stated this issue could be resolved by allowing 15-minute parking unless a special permit is obtained. Mayor Corey stated it seems like the area is over regulated. Councilperson Ockerman stated that was his concern. He asked Mr. Sawyer if he had done any research on this issue or did he just put the issue on the agenda. Mr. Sawyer advised if the city is serious about no one parking on the grass in the park then the city cannot have any parking on the circle drive because there is no place to park there without being on the grass. He further advised the circle drive could be filled in and grass seeded when the topsoil is removed for the park bathroom. He also advised the city's law enforcement officials would reasonably enforce the traffic control order if it is passed as presented. Councilperson Jessen stated he thought there was a fire lane sign in the area. Councilperson Johnson advised no, there used to be a sign. Councilperson Jessen asked if there have been any complaints about somebody parking there. Councilperson Mehig advised people use the area as a parking space, and the area needs



to be kept open for the fire department and ambulance. Mayor Corey stated he did not think it would be wise to put grass in the area because an unloading spot is needed. Councilperson Mehigh asked Mr. Sawyer if he needed more time to study the issue. Mr. Sawyer advised he thought the request was reasonable. Ockerman moved, Jessen seconded to approve Traffic Control Order 202 establishing 30-minute parking on the circle drive, east side of the McCurdy Park Community Center. Councilperson Runyan asked how many cars could park in the area. Mayor Corey advised probably eight cars, but he did not know how often that would happen. Councilperson Ockerman stated he thought the intent is to eliminate long-term parking. If the police department thinks the cars should be moved, then the police department can make the people move their cars. Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Ockerman.

No: Sanderson, Mehigh, Johnson, Runyan.

Motion DENIED

Mehigh moved, Runyan seconded to approve Traffic Control Order 202 establishing 15-minute parking on the circle drive, east side of the McCurdy Park Community Center. Roll call vote:

Yes: Mehigh, Jessen, Runyan, Johnson, Sanderson, Ockerman.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER LETTER FROM TONY HORNUS FOR USE OF CITY: Mayor Corey stated Mr. Hornus has addressed almost every possible issue in his two and one-half page letter. Mr. Sawyer advised there would be some minor inconveniences, but he thought it would be a worthwhile activity. Ockerman moved, Mehigh seconded to authorize the city manager to accommodate Collective Development, Inc. in their filming of “An Ordinary Killer” and negotiate a location agreement for approval by council. Councilperson Ockerman stated that Mr. Hornus advised him that no more than 15 or 20 minutes would be needed per shooting. Avery Weaver advised the county commissioners had the same proposal come before them, and they were concerned about liability and being able to conduct necessary county business while the filming was going on. He further advised it looks like Mr. Hornus is trying to think through all of the angles.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Sanderson, Ockerman, Mehigh, Runyan, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CALL TO AUDIENCE: Jan Scott stated she certainly hopes that Tony Hornus will be very careful about what he does about Dawn Magyar’s death because the family has been suffering for 20 years. Mayor Corey advised it sounds like Mr. Hornus will take that into consideration from the tone of his letter.

Judy Horton stated Mr. Hornus' letter talks about McCurdy Park and asked if he needed anything from the historical commission. Councilperson Ockerman advised no, Mr. Hornus just mentioned different sites. Mr. Sawyer advised he told Mr. Hornus to send Ms. Horton a copy of his letter. Ms. Horton stated if there is a 15-minute parking sign posted in the circle drive of the community center, then she can walk into the building and ask the person who owns the vehicle to move the vehicle into the parking area. Mayor Corey asked Ms. Horton if she had the authority to enforce the city ordinances. Ms. Horton advised no, but if there is a sign there, she could tell the person that there is a sign that states there is 15-minute parking. Councilperson Ockerman stated that is Mr. Sawyer's job and that is whom Ms. Horton should go to. There are agreements at city hall, which state what can and cannot be done, and if there are violations, it is up to Mr. Sawyer to see that the violations are corrected. Councilperson Ockerman further stated if there is a problem to let Mr. Sawyer know.

Ms. Washburn advised there would be a softball commission meeting on February 7 at 7:00 p.m. down at the community center. She further advised the city has tentatively hired a director for the softball league and this will be discussed Thursday night with the softball commission. Councilperson Jessen asked who the person was. Ms. Washburn advised Luke Kurrle.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: Councilperson Runyan stated the seminar that he went to over the weekend was very informative.

Councilperson Johnson stated she wanted to thank Councilpersons Ockerman and Mehig and Mr. Sawyer for the time they have put down at the ambulance service.

Councilperson Sanderson stated he had to agree with Councilperson Runyan about the seminar that he went to. The last speaker, who was an attorney from Big Rapids, did an outstanding job. Councilperson Sanderson further stated he found out that the city council, board members and commissions are doing a lot of things wrong.

Mayor Corey asked why the snow was not taken out of the center lane between Corunna Avenue and Mack Street. It seems like it would only take a couple of hours, and the center lane would be freed up. Mr. Sawyer advised the snow would be removed that night. The snow removal has been coordinated with the road commission in the past. He further advised when the road commission comes out with their big rigs to remove the snow, the city goes out at the same time to clear the snow from the sidewalks and the gutters in order to get everything into the center, which is then hauled away. It is kind of a joint effort because the city is responsible for the parking lanes and sidewalks, and the county is responsible for the road. Mayor Corey stated it would be helpful to have the Addition Item Request Form filled out completely because council does not really know what is involved, and it would give council time to ask questions. Councilperson Ockerman stated that issue was very delicate, and it was something that could not be put in writing. Mayor Corey advised he would work on getting the tour set up in Owosso.

ADJOURN: Ockerman moved, Jessen seconded to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Ockerman, Johnson, Sanderson, Runyan, Jessen, Mehig.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED Time was 9:26 p.m.

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STEPHEN COREY, MAYOR

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YVONNE F. LONG, CITY CLERK